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Appointments.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
13th March, 1874.

HIS EXCELLENCY the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments :—

The Honorable MATTHEW BAILLIE BEGBIE, the Honorable HENRY PERING PELLEW CREASE, and the Honorable JOHN HAMILTON GRAY, to be Commissioners to enquire into and report upon a certain Resolution moved in the House of Assembly by the Honorable the Attorney-General, relating to the allegations of the Honorable Member for Nanaimo as to the acquisition of Texada Island.

[L. S.] JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To the Honorables MATTHEW BAILLIE BEGBIE, HENRY PERING PELLEW CREASE, and JOHN HAMILTON GRAY, of Our Province of British Columbia—GREETING.

GEO. A. WALKEM, } WHEREAS by the "Public Attorney-General. } Inquiries Act, 1872," it is provided that whenever Our Lieutenant-Governor deems it expedient to cause enquiry to be made into and concerning any matter connected with the good Government of this Province, or the conduct of any part of the public business thereof; and such enquiry

is not regulated by any special law, Our said Lieutenant-Governor may, by the Commission in the Act, confer upon the Commissioners, or persons by whom such enquiry is to be conducted, the power therein mentioned.

And whereas an humble Address of the Legislative Assembly, has been presented to our said Lieutenant Governor, praying for the appointment of a Royal Commission to enquire into and report upon the allegations of the Honorable Member for Nanaimo, viz: "that prominent members of the late and present Government were in a ring to acquire possession of Texada Island, in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the public."

NOW KNOW YE, that having every confidence in the ability of you and each of you, WE do hereby in pursuance of the powers contained in the "Public Inquiries Act, 1872," and the "Public Inquiries Aid Amendment Act, 1873," and of all other powers and authorities US in that behalf enabling, constitute and appoint you and each of you, to be Commissioners with power to enquire into the truth of the allegations aforesaid, so far as the same refer to the good Government of this Province or reflect upon the conduct of any part of the public business thereof, and that you report thereon in writing to Our Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia.

IN TESTIMONY We have caused the Public Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed :
WITNESS, the Honorable JOSEPH WILLIAM TRUTCH, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, at Victoria, in Our said Province, this Thirteenth day of March, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

By Command.
JOHN ASH.

Proclamation.

[L. S.] JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.
CANADA.
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and to all whom it may concern—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

GEO. A. WALKEM, } WHEREAS we have thought Attorney-General. } fit, by and with the advice and consent of Our Executive Council of Our said Province of British Columbia, to prorogue the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, till the Fourth day of May, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

NOW KNOW YE that We do for that end, publish this Our Royal Proclamation, and do hereby prorogue the Legislative Assembly accordingly, until the Fourth day of May, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-four; hereby convoking, and by these pre-

sents enjoining you, and each of you, that on Monday, the Fourth day of May next, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament, of the said Province, at Our City of Victoria, and therein to do as may seem necessary. Herein fail not.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Public Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honorable JOSEPH WILLIAM TRUTCH, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this Second day of March, in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and in the thirty-seventh year Our Reign.

By Command.

CHAS. E. POOLEY.

Registrar Supreme Court.

Government Notices.

NOTICE.

A COURT of GENERAL ASSIZE and GAOL Delivery, and of Nisi Prius, will be held at Victoria, on Tuesday, the 17th day of March, next. Dated, 14th day of February, 1874.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,

Provincial Secretary.

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN to all Aliens resident within the Province of British Columbia who may be desirous of becoming naturalized British Subjects, that, up to the 1st day of July, 1874, the law of British Columbia, as to naturalization, will remain in force, by which law only one year's residence within the Province is required to enable an Alien to obtain the rights of a British Subject.

On and after the 1st day of July, 1874, the law of Canada, respecting Aliens, will come into operation in this Province, by which law a residence of three years in the Dominion of Canada is required before an Alien can be naturalized.

JOHN ASH,

Provincial Secretary.

*Provincial Secretary's Office,
29th December, 1873.*

A V I S

EST par la présente, donné aux étrangers habitant la Province de la Colombie Britannique, désireux d'être naturalisé comme Sujets Britanniques:—

Que jusqu'au 1er du mois de Juillet, 1874, la loi de la Colonie de la Colombie Britannique concernant la naturalisation des étrangers restera en force, laquelle exige une résidence seulement d'une année (1) dans le pays, pour assurer à un étranger les droits d'un Sujet Britannique.

Aussi qu'après le 1er du mois de Juillet, 1874, la loi du Canada sera mis en force dans ce Province, par laquelle une résidence de trois années (3) dans la Puissance du Canada est exigée, avant qu'un étranger puisse être naturalisé.

BEKANNTMACHUNG

Für Die in der Prowinz British Columbia, wohnenden oder ansässigen Deutschen, welche beabsichtigen Englische Bürger zu werden. Dass das jetzige Gesetz welches einen Aufenthalt von Einem Jahre in der Prowinz verlangt, um das Recht zu bekommen, englischer Bürger zu werden,—nur bis zum ersten Juli 1874, in Kraft bleibt.

Von dem ersten Tage ab, des monats Juli, 1874, Tritt das Canadische Gesetz in Kraft, welches einen Aufenthalt von Drei Jahren in Canada verlangt, um das Recht zu bekommen englischer Bürger zu werden.

NOTICE.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council dated the 7th day of June, 1873, of the Honorable the Privy Council of Canada, it has been decided "that Esquimalt, in Vancouver Island, be fixed as the Terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and that a line of Railway be located between the Harbour of Esquimalt and Seymour Narrows, on the said Island;" and whereas in accordance with the Terms of the said Order in Council, application has been made to His Excellency "the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, for a reservation and for the conveyance to the Dominion Government, in trust, according to the 11th Paragraph of the Terms of the Agreement of Union, of a strip of Land Twenty Miles in width along the Eastern Coast of Vancouver Island, between Seymour Narrows and the Harbour of Esquimalt, in furtherance of the construction of "the said Railway."

And whereas it has been deemed advisable that the Land within the limits aforesaid should be Reserved, prior to any conveyance aforesaid being made thereof. Public notice is therefore hereby given that from and after this date a strip of Land Twenty Miles in width along the Eastern Coast of Vancouver Island between Seymour Narrows and the Harbour of Esquimalt is hereby Reserved.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,

Provincial Secretary.

*Provincial Secretary's Office,
July 1st, 1873.*

Purchase of Unsurveyed Lands.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Order in Council, dated 5th September, 1873, in reference to the purchase of Unsurveyed Lands, is rescinded.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

*Lands and Works Office,
Victoria, February 28th, 1874.*

Twenty Acre Timbered Lots.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Order in Council, dated 3rd September, 1873, in reference to locating Twenty Acre Timbered Lots in New Westminster District, is rescinded.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

*Lands & Works Office,
Victoria, 28th February, 1874.*

PUBLIC NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS will be received up to 12 o'clock, noon, on the 1st May, 1874, for the right of maintaining a FERRY, for a term of three years, across Stewart's River, at a point where the Quesnel Trail via the Nechako River intersects with Stewart's River.

The said Ferry to be capable of carrying not less than ten pack animals and their loads.

The Ferry to extend three miles above and below the crossing.

Tenders to state the rent proposed and the rates of toll for every—

Foot passenger,
Passenger on horseback,
Loaded animals,
Animals without load,
Beef cattle,
Sheep, pigs, and goats,
Freight per 100 lbs.

All freight and officers of the Provincial Government to pass free.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Tenders to be addressed to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, and to be superscribed "Tender for Stewart's River Ferry."

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works

*Lands & Works Department,
Victoria, 13th March, 1874.*

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Land Tax list is deposited at the Post Office, Hope, at the Government Office, Yale, and at Grove's Hotel, Boston Bar, for inspection, for the District of Hope and Yale.

WILLIAM TEAGUE,
Assessor and Collector.

Yale, January 13th, 1874.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a list of all persons within the Richfield, Lightning, and Quesnelmouth Polling Divisions of the Cariboo District, who are liable to pay Road Tax for the year 1874, can be seen at the following places:

Court House, Richfield,
Telegraph Office, Van Winkle,
Post Office, Quesnelmouth.

JAMES LINDSAY,
Collector.

Barkerville, January 13th, 1874.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a list of all persons within the Districts of Clinton, Canoe Creek, and Williams Lake Division of the Cariboo District, who are liable to pay Road Tax for the year 1874, has been posted at the following places:

Court House, Clinton,
Mr. Yeates', Soda Creek,
Post Office, One Hundred and Fifty Mile House.
Mr. Ritchie's, Canoe Creek.

C. E. POPE,
Collector.

Clinton, January 13th, 1874.

NOTICE.

A COURT OF APPEAL, in conformity with Section 5 of the "Road Ordinance, 1870," will be held at the following places:—

Court House, Richfield, on Monday, 2nd February, 1874;
Telegraph Office, Van Winkle, on Tuesday, 3rd February, 1874;
Quesnelmouth, on Friday, 6th February, 1874.

By Order.

JAMES LINDSAY,
*Collector of Road Taxes,
Cariboo District.*

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a list of all persons within the Lillooet division of the Lillooet District, who are liable to pay Road Tax for the year 1874, can be seen at my office daily.

A. W. SMITH,
Assessor and Collector.

Lillooet, January 24th, 1874.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a list of all persons within the New Westminster District, who are liable to pay Road Tax for the year 1874, can be seen at my office, on or before the 1st February, next.

H. V. EDMONDS,
Assessor and Collector.

New Westminster, January 14th, 1874.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that lists of all persons who are liable to pay Road Tax in the Nicola Lake District, for 1874, can be seen at Messrs. Charters', Nicola River, Messrs. Moore's, Nicola Lake, and at the residence of the undersigned.

ALEX. ROBB,
Collector.

Nicola Lake,
12th February, 1874.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a list of all persons within the District of Lytton, who are liable to pay Road Tax for the year 1874, has been posted at the following places:

James Campbell's, Cache Creek,
George Coxon's, Lytton.

GEORGE COXON,
Collector.

Lytton, January 13th, 1874.

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a list of all persons within the District of Comox, who are liable to pay Road Tax for the year 1874, has been posted at the Court House, Comox.

J. RODELLO,
Collector.

Comox, January 22nd, 1874.

Gold Commissioner's Notice.

ON and after the 1st of November, next, all Claims in the Cariboo District may be laid over till the 20th May, 1874, subject to the 9th Section of the Gold Amendment Act 1872.

H. M. BALL,
Gold Commissioner.

Richfield, October 9th, 1873.

Omineca Mining Court.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on and after the 15th of October, all mining claims legally held in the Omineca District, will be laid over until the 1st day of June, 1874.

A. W. VOWELL,
Gold Commissioner.

Omineca, 1st October, 1873.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a list of all persons within the District of Kamloops, who are liable to pay Road Tax for the year 1874, can be seen at the following places:

Savona's Ferry,
Kamloops Post Office,
Duck and Pringles.

JOHN BOYD,
Collector.

Kamloops, January 17th.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS.
LAYING OVER CLAIMS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on and after the 15th of October, 1873, all Mining Claims legally held on the above Islands will be laid over until the 15th May, 1874.

ROBERT BEAVEN,
Gold Commissioner.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a list of all persons within the Keithley Creek Polling Division of the Cariboo District of Barkerville, who are liable to pay Road Tax for the year 1874, has been posted at the following places:—

Mr. Smith's store, Harvey Creek,
Mr. Kimball's, Keithley Creek,
Government Office, Forks of Quesnelle.

OLIVER HARE,
Collector.

Forks of Quesnelle, January 31st, 1874.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

STICKEEN RIVER AND CASSIAR.
LAYING OVER CLAIMS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on and after the 15th of October, 1873, all Mining Claims legally held in the above localities will be laid over until the 1st June, 1874.

ROBERT BEAVEN,
Gold Commissioner.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a list of all persons within the District of Nanaimo, who are liable to pay Road Tax for the year 1874, can be seen at the following places:

At the residence of Charles York, Cedar District,
 " " Benjamin Kaper, Cranberry "
 " " D. H. Westwood, Mountain "
 " " Thos. Cairns, Wellington "
 " " Theophilus Dupuy, Nanoose "
 " " David Frew, Nanaimo "
 " " David Gillespie, Newcastle I.

And at the Court House, Nanaimo.

W. STEWART,
Collector.

Nanaimo, January 28th, 1874.

ROAD TAX LISTS. 1874.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that copies of the Road Tax lists are deposited at the following places:—

LAKE AND SAANICH ROAD DISTRICT.

For North and South Saanich:—

Mr. Henry Wain's Hotel.
 Mr. L. Eckstein's Hotel.
 Mr. Henry Simpsons', Prairie Tavern.

For Lake, Highland and South Saanich:—

Mr. John Stevens', Half-way House.
 Mr. Charles Smallbone's, Royal Oak.

ESQUIMALT TOWN ROAD DISTRICT.

Mr. John Howard's Hotel, Esquimalt.

ESQUIMALT-METCHOSIN ROAD DISTRICT.

Mr. Patrick Everet's, Esquimalt Road.
 Mr. P. Calvert, Parson's Bridge Hotel.

For Sooke and Metchosin:—

Mr. M. Muir's, Post Office.
 Metchosin School House.

VICTORIA ROAD DISTRICT.

Mr. M. Rowland's, Burnside Road.
 Mr. J. Sere's, Richmond Hotel.
 And at the Office of the undersigned,

RICHARD WOODS,
Collector.

Bastion Street, Victoria, 27th, January, 1874.

NOTICE.

IS HEREBY GIVEN that on and after Saturday] the Twenty-fifth of October, all Mining Claims legally held in this District will be laid over until the First day of June, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-four.

CORNELIUS BOOTH,
 Government Agent, Acting G. C.

Kootenay, 17th October, 1873.

NOTICE

Private Bills.

ALL applications for Private Bills, properly the subject of legislation by the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, within the purview of the "British North America Act, 1867," whether for the erection of a Bridge, the making of a Railroad, Turnpike Road, or Telegraph Line; the construction or

improvement of a Harbour, Canal, Lock, Dam, or Slide, or other like work; the granting of a right of Ferry; the incorporation of any particular trade or calling, or of any Joint Stock Co.; or otherwise for granting to any individual or individuals any exclusive or peculiar rights or privileges whatever, or for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights or property of other parties, or relate to any particular class of the community; or for making any amendment of a like nature to any former Act,—shall require a Notice, clearly and distinctly specifying the nature and object of the application, to be published as follows:—

A notice inserted in the BRITISH COLUMBIA GAZETTE, and in one newspaper published in the District affected, or if there be no newspaper published therein, then in a newspaper in the next nearest District in which a newspaper is published.

Such notice shall be continued in each case for a period of at least six weeks, during the interval of time between the close of the next preceding Session and the consideration of the Petition.

Before any Petition, praying for leave to bring in a Private Bill for the erection of a Toll Bridge is presented to the House, the person or persons intending to petition for such Bill shall, upon giving the notice prescribed by the preceding rule, also at the same time and in the same manner, give notice of the rates which they intend to ask, the extent of the privilege, the height of the arches, the interval between the abutments or piers for the passage of rafts and vessels, and mentioning also whether they intend to erect a drawbridge or not, and the dimensions of the same.

J. ROLAND HETT,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

5th March, 1873.

Miscellaneous Notices.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that ALBERT THEOPHILUS DES BRISAY McELMEN, of Sussex Vale, in the Province of New Brunswick, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, intends to apply in the next ensuing term of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, after the expiration of two calendar months from the date hereof, to the said Court, at the City of Victoria, to be admitted, enrolled, and allowed to practice as a Barrister-at-Law, in the Superior Courts of Law in British Columbia.

Dated, this 20th day of January, A. D., 1874.

ALBERT T. D. McELMEN.

"The Bankruptcy Act, 1872."

WILLIAM HENRY ROBERTSON, and ALEXANDER SELKIRK ROBERTSON, late of Omineca, but now of the City of Victoria, Carpenters and co-partners, having been adjudged bankrupts under a petition for adjudication of bankruptcy, filed in the Supreme Court of British Columbia, in Bankruptcy, at Victoria, on the twenty-fourth day of February, 1874, are hereby required to surrender themselves to the Registrar of the said Court at the first meeting of creditors to be held before the said Registrar on the tenth day of March, 1874, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon precisely, at the said Court at Victoria.

CHARLES EDWARD POOLEY, Esq., of Victoria, is the Official Assignee, and Messrs. ROBERTSON & JOHNSON, of the same place, are the Solicitors acting in the Bankruptcy.

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